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Hawks best in league

Win over
Norwood puts
HHSS in
driver's seat

by **TERRANCE GAVAN**
Times Staff

Probably karma that the prettiest goal of the game – and maybe one of the niftiest dangles of the Red Hawk hockey season – turned into the eventual game winner.

Probably fitting that it came on a play that materialized like some conjurer's trick, from a tipped neutral zone pass, quick feed and superb finish.

And for sure it was both fortuitous and electrifying that one of the most engaging rips of the season also parlayed into the goal that clinched first place in the Kawartha High School Hockey League for the Hal High Red

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Wipe out!

Celine Trapnell, left, Madeline Bragaw and Kayla Pizzicarola were three of the contestants in snowshoe races outside the Dorset Recreation Centre during the 20th annual Dorset Snow Ball on Feb. 20. More pictures on page 18. Photo by Chad Ingram.

Barber to celebrate 60 years of cutting hair

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

Jim Mifflin knows his way around a pair of scissors.

In May, he will have been cutting hair for 60 years.

Yes, 60 years, as in six

decades.

Now 75, Mifflin started cutting hair in his father's barbershop in Whitby in 1950, when he was just 15 years old.

"The principal encouraged me to go into barbering," Mifflin says, seated in his shop in the

basement of his home on Mifflin Road, off of North Shore Road.

While his Grade 8 marks had not been excellent, Mifflin says his principal told him he would be able to go on to high school, although he thought Mifflin would be better off heading into

the family trade.

"I was even cutting the principal's hair," he says with a grin.

So, along with his brother, Mifflin started work at his dad's shop.

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Red Hawk Jazz go to nationals

by TOM REGINA
Special to the Times

The Red Hawk jazz combo represented HHSS at the GTA JazzFest held on the York University campus on Feb. 16. The group impressed the judges with their sophisticated and creative approach to the music. They earned a high silver rating and an invitation to participate in the national finals of MusicFest to be held in Ottawa in mid May.

During the post-performance workshop, the combo members were coached by York jazz professor Ron Westray as to how to take their performance up a notch or two. Vocalist Janice Kiteley, drummer Dan Boisvert, guitarist JJ Kerr, bassist Leo Regina and pianist Joe Ferracuti got to work on those suggestions right away with a view to giving their best possible performance in Ottawa. The larger jazz ensemble is hoping to join the combo members by qualifying at the music festival in Collingwood on March 4.

The HHSS bands will have a spring concert May 12 to raise funds for our students heading to nationals.

January weather milder than last year

January was a fairly reasonable month, not much snow up to Jan. 25. We had it in December! We had precipitation Jan. 25 until end of the month. Heavy rain January 25. Two more months of winter, whether we like it or not!

Average high: -2.7°C, 25.3°F
Average low: -8.5°C, 16.7°F
Average for the month: -8.0°C,
Average for last January 2009: -15.5°C, 22.0°F
Highest temperature, January 22: 3.0°C, 37.4°F
Lowest temperature, January 30: -32.0°C,
-25.6°F

Rain: 39.4 mm, 1.5 in
Snow: 50.0 cm, 19.6 in
Total precipitation: 89.4 mm, 3.5 in
Total precipitation for last January 2009: 80.0 cm, 31.4 in

Days mostly sunny: 9
Days with rain or snow: 12
Snow on the ground, January 31: 43 cm, 17 in
Snow on the ground for last January 31: 73 cm, 28 in
Snow fall Dec. 1 - Jan. 31, 2010: 203 cm, 79 in
Snow fall Dec. 1- Jan. 31, 2009: 222 cm, 87 in.



Red Riding Hood

Cast member Lindsey Hawley rehearses a scene from *The Complete Adventures of Red Riding Hood*. The original musical play, written by Darrell Dobson and the cast, features students from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The play will be performed at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on Feb. 26 and 27 and in Barrie on March 1 as part of the Sears Festival. /Photo by Angelica Blenich

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Correction

On Feb. 3 and Feb. 10, an advertisement ran in the *Times* for psychic readings at the Heritage House Café. The Heritage House Café was in no way responsible for the advertisement and was not contacted before the advertisement ran. The *Times* regrets the error and apologizes to the Heritage House Café and its customers for any inconvenience caused by the advertisement.

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Come experience Kinmount Winterfest this Sunday, Feb. 27 at the Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development.

Local artist brings jewels to isolated community

by ANGELICA BLENICH
Times Staff

Erin Lynch is successfully ignoring the construction workers milling around her as she smiles for the camera. As soon as the photo is snapped and Lynch is free of her modeling duties, however, she is ready to be put to work.

"Let me get out of these clothes and put something grubby on," she can be overheard saying.

The renovation underway at the Art Hive, where Lynch can be found most days, is just one example of just how busy the local artist's life is. As one of the founding members of the Art Hive, a space dedicated to showcasing the works of local artists who together make up the Maple Lake Artisans Collective, Lynch, a jewelry maker by trade, has a lot on her plate.

And that plate is about to get fuller thanks to an art initiative Lynch will soon be embarking on.

In April Lynch will be travelling to Pikangikum, a fly-in community in the Kenora district, approximately 100 kilometres north of Red Lake, Ont. as part of a program called Arts Can Circle.

The program is a Canadian initiative dedicated to linking creative artists with Native youth at risk in isolated communities of Canada. Lynch will spend seven days immersed in the day-to-day lives of those in the community as she uses her skills as a jewelry maker to engage with youth of all ages.

"Arts Can Circle was first started by a musician named Mike Stevens," explains Lynch. "I first heard about it through an interview on CBC and just thought it sounded very interesting."

Lynch took that interest to the next level after she came across the Arts Can Circle booth last summer at the Mariposa Folk Festival in Orillia.

"I started talking to the executive director and I was just really drawn to it," says Lynch. "I thought, 'I really want to do this and participate as an artist.'"

Once the busy pace of the summer slowed, Lynch met up with the executive director for lunch and discussed



Local artist Erin Lynch sits amongst the many treasures and jewels found within the walls of the Art Hive. Lynch, a jewelry maker by trade, will soon be travelling to a Native community as part of an initiative linking artists with youth at risk in isolated communities of Canada. /Photo by Angelica Blenich

the type of projects she could facilitate, before finally cementing the trip.

Experienced in teaching, through the artists in schools program and her involvement with the continuing education program at Fleming College, Lynch is fully aware that this experience will be unlike any other she's encountered.

"These communities are very isolated," says Lynch. "We don't really have an idea of how bad it is. Within our own country we have awful, deplorable conditions that people are living in and we don't pay attention to it."

The community of Pikangikum has a population of 2,300 and an unemployment rate of approximately 70 per cent. In 2000, it was reported the First Nation community had the highest suicide rate in the world.

"I was shown some video footage of the community by the executive director that featured some very graphic images and scenes," says Lynch. "I was so shocked and thought 'I don't know how to react to this.' It was very difficult to watch and left me very emotional. But ultimately I think she wanted to show me that video to prep me so that I would have an idea of what I would be dealing with."

The goal of the organization is to facilitate hands-on workshops for the youth living in at-risk communities. Some of the activities include learning how to play a musical instrument, visual arts activities and songwriting workshops, among other things. An experienced artist

herself, Lynch will have the added benefit of travelling with a dedicated team.

"There will be a musician, perhaps a theatre person and then myself," says Lynch. "They will also team me up with someone who has already established a connection to the community."

The program covers all of Lynch's expenses, including travel, accommodation, food and materials. However she is hoping to leave the community with more than just an experience and a lifetime of memories.

"What I would really like to do is to raise some money so that I can actually leave a toolkit [with jewelry supplies] in the community," says Lynch. "That way it can be a permanent part of the community and people can continue making jewelry even after I leave."

Lynch's goal is to raise \$500 to make the toolkit a reality. Donations toward this cause can be made directly to her, with amounts more than \$20 eligible for a tax receipt. Even though she hasn't even left yet for her trip, Lynch can already see herself making this experience a repeated habit.

"I guess I'll just see how it goes," says Lynch. "I think the idea when you get involved with an organization like this is that you partake in the experience more than once and I'm confident that I can do this."

To donate towards the toolkit, readers can contact Lynch through email at ironicluddites@sympatico.ca or by phone at 705-754-0360.



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Project well on its way

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Wells are not just a source of clean drinking water. They can also be catalysts for major social change within a community.

This is a truth that county residents Ron and Toos Reid saw firsthand during their recent trip to India as part of a joint project between Help a Village Effort (HAVE) and the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA).

Over three years, that project is installing 180 wells and 150 composting toilets in villages mostly located in the northeastern state of West Bengal and the more southerly state of Andhra Pradesh.

"Part of the mandate of CIDA is that we monitor the projects," said Ron, who has headed up the Haliburton County chapter of HAVE since 1997. The charity organization was born in the county in 1982 and also has chapters in Canada's east and west.

The Reids flew to India on Jan. 25 and returned to Canada on Feb. 15, visiting between 30 and 40 villages that had received wells.

While Ron had visited India once before, it was Toos's first trip to the country.

"It was different culturally, so different," Toos said, calling it a beautiful country full of extremes.

While India is home to a rising industrial economy, many of the country's inhabitants, especially those ranking low on India's caste system, live their lives in small rural villages, like the ones the project is helping with.

In most of these villages, Ron explained, women and children, whose job it is to fetch water, will travel between



Ron and Toos Reid point out one of the communities they visited on a recent trip to India. The couple were there to monitor progress on a joint project by Help a Village Effort and the Canadian International Development Agency that is installing 180 wells and 150 composting toilets over a three-year period.
/Photo by Chad Ingram

one and three kilometres to the nearest water source. This means travelling one to three kilometres back carrying heavy vessels full of water and means a few trips can take a good portion of the day.

What's worse, Ron said, is that in some cases, the owners of the water sources – usually men of higher castes – will vindictively shut off the water flow when they see villagers approaching.

So, Ron said villagers are understandably ecstatic to have wells in their communities and he has many pictures of villagers raising their hands in celebration and elated joy.

"When they have water that's right outside their door, they're pretty happy about it," he said.

But easy access to drinking water is just the beginning of what the wells do for these villages.

No longer forced to make long trips to fetch water, the wells mean a whole lot of time is freed up for the village's women and children.

"[Women] can learn to read," Ron said. "Some were learning how to sew or how to use computers."

Some women are starting to get small grants and loans to start up their own small businesses, he said.

While Ron said there were a few archaically male-controlled villages where this emancipation of women was met with some skepticism, he said in most communities

the mood is overwhelmingly joyous

And children, instead of helping their mothers retrieve water, can go to school.

The residents of communities that receive wells are taught not just how to operate them, but how to keep them free of contamination, along with proper sanitary practices.

"The wells really become their wells," Toos said, explaining that if the land the well is on is not already public land, it is ceded to the community.

Toos said most villages also start up community bank accounts dedicated to the maintenance of their wells.

Ron said HAVE raises approximately \$55,000 a year and for this project its dollars raised have been matched by CIDA at a three-to-one ratio.

HAVE's traditional fundraiser has been a walk-a-thon known as Walk for Water, and while the other HAVE chapters still hosts walks, the Haliburton chapter has taken what Ron calls a "choose-your-own-adventure" approach to fundraising, where volunteers perform an activity of their choice to raise funds.

Toos, for example, has swum across B.C.'s Lake Okanagan to raise money for the organization.

Churches and schools in the county have also hosted fundraising events, which Ron said typically take place in May and June.

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Stroke survivors support each other

by JENN WATT
Editor

A dozen stroke survivors and their caregivers sit around the television at Hyland Crest's fireside lounge watching a video on the emotional impact one blood clot can have on the lives of victims and their families.

One man bursts into tears watching other survivors talk about their changed lives.

"I tell ya, some of that stuff hits home," another man said after finishing the video. "It's hard to look at. Hard to listen to, too."

Once a month, this group comes together in Minden to battle through the lingering effects strokes have had on their bodies, minds, emotions and their caregivers. The group addresses both sides of the equation – those recovering from stroke and those aiding loved ones through that recovery.

"This group's been good for me. I have no one else to talk to," said the man, who prefers not to be named. After having a stroke at 74, and several mini-strokes, the single man has had to care for himself. He has adjusted to the weakness in his left leg, blindness in his right eye, but still needs the comfort of an understanding friend.

The support group has given that to him.

"I had no partner, no caregiver, I was entirely on my own [after the stroke]," he said.

But fighting against the emotional scourges of sudden disability has been difficult for him.

"I don't want to get depressed about it because I've had a good life," he said.

Other survivors nod knowingly.

"The reason I do come is because I want to hear how people have dealt with this because I've kept a lot inside," he said.

Beside him sits another man and his wife. They care for each other. They are both stroke survivors.

"What would you do if your caregiver passed away?" the first man asks.

"If I died, [my wife] wouldn't make it through the night," the husband, who had a stroke three years ago, replies.



The support group began in 2007, two years after Ross Rigney had a debilitating stroke.

"We started the stroke group because Ross said everything is always about heart [attacks], not stroke," his wife Lois said. Shannon Robinson of the family health team lent her support in the early days.

Since beginning the group, membership has stayed steady, with most original group members still attending and new ones joining.

Bruce Moffatt is one of those newer group members.

After having a stroke Nov. 3, 2008, Moffatt lost much of his speech. While his physical abilities remained the same, he was struck with aphasia.

During the group session, Moffatt told a story that wasn't entirely decipherable, but using some words along with hand gestures and facial expressions, had everyone laughing with him. Over time, participants have become accustomed to Moffatt's new ways of communicating and they've encouraged him as he's slowly recovered his vocabulary.

Each group member has an entirely different reaction to his or her stroke.

John Beadle, one of the coordinators of the group, has lost some of his vision.

An outdoorsman, Beadle had to relearn his own forest.

"I knew that forest like the back of my hand," he said, but when he got home after his stroke he didn't know how to navigate what should have been familiar territory.

The stroke also slowed him down.

"I was a tradesperson [before the stroke]. Something that took me 10 minutes would take me an hour," he said.

Even though his physical condition is out of his control, Beadle told the group he still feels some guilt when he asks his wife, June, to taxi him around town.

"I hate asking people to drive me here or drive me there," he said.

Lois provided the other side of the coin: she now has to structure her day around what Ross needs to get done. In turn, Ross

has no ability to be independent like he once was.

"Since I've had my stroke, it's been a challenge," he said.

Haliburton Highlands Stroke Support

Group meets the third Thursday of each month 10 a.m. to noon in the Fireside Lounge, Hyland Crest. This is for all stroke survivors and their caregivers. For info call Lois 286-1765.

The stroke support group has been meeting monthly since its inception in 2007. It is open to all survivors and their caregivers and meets at the fireside lounge at Hyland Crest.
/Photo by Jenn Watt

Warning signs of a stroke

1. Sudden loss of strength or sudden numbness in the face, arm or leg, even if temporary.
2. Sudden difficulty speaking or understanding or sudden confusion, even if temporary.
3. Sudden trouble with vision, even if temporary.
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EDITORIAL COMMENT

What's more important than water?

MAN OH MAN, is it ever great to live in Canada. And no, this column has nothing to do with the Olympics, or the easily cultivated sense of patriotism they provide.

Yes, while it's great that this country has an abundance of ski hills and ice rinks, I'm going to say, at the risk of being tarred and feathered, or having the crap kicked out of me, or both, that these things are rather unimportant.

You know what is important?

Water.

Water to drink and cook with and bathe with, and access to it.

As I listened to Ron and Toos Reid recall their recent trip to India earlier this week, I had one of those moments of pure and utter gratitude that I was somehow lucky enough to have been born in this country.

The Reids were in India as part of their work with Help a Village Effort, a Haliburton-founded charity organization that helps to put wells in communities without them.

Before wells were installed in the communities the Reids visited, women and children would spend a good portion of their day hiking several kilometres to bring water back to their homes.

As the Reids spoke, I tried to imagine, tried hard to fathom what it would have been like as a small child to spend my days hauling water from some far-off well, rather than making macaroni art at school and hiding my sister's dolls on her.

And I couldn't do it. Not really. The harshness of that reality is simply too far removed from my middle-class Canadian upbringing.

It's incredibly easy for us to get caught up in the pressures of the day-to-day grind, but it's important every now and then to take a moment to reflect on just how lucky we are; how privileged we are to have water that flows right into our homes.

The next time you go to get a glass of water, think about how few steps you had to take to get it.



EDITORIAL

Chad Ingram



IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

Winter shoes

Photo by Chad Ingram

TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Reader of Galea's column takes offence

To the Editor,

On our return from the invitation to the inauguration of President Evo Morales of Bolivia, I read in the Jan. 20 issue Mr. Galea disputing the writings of Neil Campbell. Mr. Galea, are you blind or just historically illiterate?

Your support of your "American neighbours" the leading gun runners, and war mongers of the world who paint corporate interest in pretty words and waving flags to dupe the uneducated and unthinking to mortgage their souls through taxes, is your personal choice. The only "good and freedom loving" ethics involved in the American invasion and trespassing onto other people's country is for the good of corporate interest and freedom of corporate takeover of the marketplace.

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Columns and Letters to the Editor

The implausible dream

EVEN THOUGH the Olympic games are not quite over yet, I'm hearing many Canadian pundits announce that the dream of "Owning the Podium" is already over. As a strong supporter of this country and its Olympic efforts, I beg to differ.

As far as I know, we have always owned the podium at the Vancouver 2010 games. Sure, other countries might have more medals, but the podium, I'm assuming, is ours – we still have the receipt don't we? Even if we didn't, this is just not the sort of thing anyone would lend you. Who has extra podiums kicking around?

If that were the case, however, we, as a nation, simply need to make them an offer and buy it once and for all. Only then will this lofty national dream be fully realized.

I'll be honest here. I'm not sure why it is so important to own the podium in Olympic competition. Maybe, if you own it, you can

sell advertising on it to help offset the ridiculous costs that games like this amass. Perhaps, afterwards you can donate it to the nearest library so that short people like me can get books off of the top shelf all by themselves.

It doesn't matter one way or the other. If our Olympic Committee says we should own the podium, I say we all chip in a few bucks and buy it. This is obviously important.

I mean we've spent millions in advertising to tell the world that we are going to own the podium. Why does this mean so much? I'm guessing it's because south of the border the Chinese own the podiums, and just about everything else these days. Admittedly, this doesn't seem like much

of a national dream – it sure doesn't rank up there with a cross-Canada railway system, for instance – but I suppose it is, at least, attainable. Provided, of course, that we don't get into a bidding war with the Chinese.

In any case, you certainly can't blame us for not choosing a more ambitious national dream – after all, we went to all that effort and practically no one travels by rail any more.

Still, I can't help but think that we should have set our sights on something higher. A podium will only get you so far. An extension ladder would have been a much better choice, if you ask me. Besides, this podium thing is ultimately

distracting our athletes. Some of them are so focused on the dream of owning the podium that they're forgetting about the medals.

Maybe our slogan should have been Own the Medals. They're far harder to come by.

The sad part is that this is not what the spirit of the games is about. Unless, I'm mistaken, the goal isn't to dominate and boast. Nor is it about winning; it's about having fun and trying your best. Excuse me; when did the Olympics get so competitive anyhow?

If this great country of ours decides we need to own the podium, I'm willing to do what it takes to make that dream a reality – I'll cover the July payment. After all, it's time that we as a nation stepped up – on something we actually own.

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BEYOND35

Steve Galea

Two modest proposals

THERE IS NO POINT in recycling, says an upright citizen about to toss a clear plastic garbage bag bulging with computer printouts and pop cans. They only take it to another dump, he says.

Which might work as a rationalization, if it were true, which it isn't. At least not anymore. Ontario's waste disposal is far too tightly wrapped in paper trails for that, but the excuse lingers on.

One of the many advantages of the clear plastic mandate now in place in the dumps of Minden Hills is that you can see just which of our neighbours care only about themselves.

They are the folks who charge right past the recycling bins each week with their three bags full of margarine tubs and cookie boxes and fling them on the heap that will eventually fill the Scotch Line dump.

It is their birthright, they might tell you, if they have thought much about it at all, and besides they're much too busy and sorting discards is a nuisance.

Out of sight, out of mind, they might say, their sense of entitlement fully loaded with in-

dignation just in case they need to fire a round of it at anybody who infringes on their right to do just as they please.

The good news about Peter Brown, the man in charge of Minden's garbage, is that about two-thirds of what could be recycled is being recycled, which turns him into a glass two-thirds full kind of guy and isolates me as a one-third empty kind of cynic.

Perhaps 45 per cent of what came through the Scotch Line gate in 2008 wound up in the recycling bin or on the chipping pile, although that number could have been as high as two-thirds if all of us had done our duty.

The Brown Dog Jiggs thinks that means the dump is filling up almost two-thirds faster than it needs to. Twenty-five years from now, the folks who just can't be bothered will be able to congratulate themselves on filling the space

so quickly.

So here is the first of today's two modest proposals:

Let's start taking the names, or at least the licence-plate numbers, of the landfill outlaws. Put them into a lottery. When Scotch Line is full, the prize is a brand-new dump right across the road from the winner's pristine piece of paradise.

It's only fair.

Just down the road, in a northern suburb of Norland, a flag so tattered that it must have been there for me to drive past a thousand times snaps me out of my Highway 35 reverie.

It is a remarkable banner, the Stars and Stripes at the flagpole end, the Maple Leaf outside and ragged, as usual. Once the Union Jack in the corner of our old flag proclaimed our British affiliation. Now this frayed combo

marks our place in another decaying empire.

Perhaps, I think, I missed the morning news. Maybe Harper sneaked us in as the 51st state while the rest of us were busy with the bread and circuses of Vancouver.

But no, the journal on the seat beside me still styles itself as Canada's. At least the Norland flag merger saved some rope. Most patriotic Haliburton establishments hoist their U.S. flags on a separate pole. For folks whose national identity is more completely merged, this second modest proposal:

As your loyalty is divided, so too shall be the benefits of being Canadian. We'll pay half your health costs and half your education costs and make a half-hearted effort to rid ourselves of handguns. You can send the bill for the rest to Washington.

Two modest proposals in one column in the tradition of 18th century essayist Jonathan Swift, who once proposed that Ireland's population crisis be solved by letting the landlords eat the babies.

He was kidding and so am I. Sort of.

neilcampbell@xplornet.com



BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell

Corporations have no country or restraints

from page 6

Corporations by law are artificial people, without a soul, whose only oath is sworn to gold, not people, not life.

Corporations have no country, no land, no restraints of territory or political alliance and only birth other corporations in their image.

Bullets and bombs terrorist tools of corporate interest once used need to be remade.

The U.S. military is the largest and permanent buying market that feeds the interests of the rich. Death of the innocent is labeled collateral damage to artificial persons, corporations, which in essence is what your opinion supports and condones.

Mr. Campbell, who you criticized is awakening to the truth. You, Mr. Galea, we as a separate race of people, call you a sleeper. Please, either stop mumbling in public or take a pill.

**Chief Dr. Ikway Michine
(Yvonne Fulton), Minden**

Reader's copyright information

To the Editor,

I have sent some poems in memory of Nodar and I have since copyrighted them. If possible could you print that fact along with the copyright in next week's paper? *Minden Times* is the best lil' paper around.

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Thank you for printing these poems.

Greg Miller
Minden

Street View captures Hwy 35

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

Want to see something cool?

Hwy. 35, along with Hwy. 118 and County Road 121, has been added to Google Street View, an application that allows users to take virtual tours of highways, streets and trails from around the world.

Using keyboard and mouse controls, users can travel along the complete lengths of the roadways with 360-degree horizontal control and 270-degree vertical control.

The views are created by digitally joining together thousands of photographs that are taken by staffers driving in vehicles, each mounted with nine digital cameras.

The weather and foliage in the pictures of Haliburton County seem to indicate the pictures of the county's roads were taken in late summer or early autumn.

Google launched Street View in the spring of 2007 and while at that time the application covered just five U.S. cities, according to the company's website, it has now expanded to include thousands of roadways and even biking and hiking



When was the last time you Googled Minden?

trails throughout North America, Western Europe, Australia and New Zealand.

According to the website, the goal is to one day basically include every public road on the planet in the application. Private roads are not put on Street View, unless permission is granted from the owner.

The company also stresses that policies are put in place to protect people's privacy. Any passersby who were captured in any of the Street View photos have their faces blurred on the site.

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TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS MINDEN ELEVATED TANK – PHASE 2 CONTRACT No. 08-2694-B

Tenders sealed in the envelope provided, clearly marked as to its contents, will be received by the **Township of Minden Hills - Environmental and Property Operations Department** located at 7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 until **11:30 am local time on Thursday March 18, 2010.**

The work generally consists of the supply of all material, equipment and labour necessary for construction of the following:

- 1,500 m3 composite elevated water storage tank complete with interior and exterior coatings;
- process and mechanical piping and equipment at the elevated tank facility;
- upgrades to the existing well pumphouse including process and control modifications;
- all associated site works and ancillary works for a complete functional system.

Contract Documents may be obtained from AECOM at the address listed below upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$150 (GST included) per set, payable by cheque to AECOM. Contract Documents will be available starting Thursday February 25, 2010.

Contract Documents may be viewed without payment at the Township of Minden Hills - Environmental and Property Operations Department or the office of the Consulting Engineer at the addresses indicated below.

Each tender must be accompanied by a tender deposit in the form of a certified cheque made payable to the Township of Minden Hills for the amount as specified in the Contract Documents.

A non-mandatory site meeting will be held on Thursday March 4, 2010 commencing at 2:00 pm local time at the existing well pumphouse located at 142 Bobcaygeon Road (Bobcaygeon Road & Deep Bay Road) Minden, Ontario.

Tenders are subject to the preparation and execution of a formal agreement. The owner reserves the right to reject any and all tenders and the lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

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ATTENTION

INVITATIONAL TENDER

To supply liquid calcium chloride at a 35% concentration for dust control for the 2010 Season. Your written submission should include a cost per litre on minimum tankard loads of 20,000 litres and 10,000 litres respectively, applied to the roads. Quotations in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "Calcium Chloride" will be received at the on or before 12:00 noon on Tuesday, March 2nd, 2010.

AGGREGATE SUPPLIERS

Interested in supplying aggregates to the Township of Minden Hills for the 2010 Year are requested to forward a detailed price list indicating the various aggregate products to the Quotations in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "Aggregate Prices", no later than Tuesday, March 2nd, 2010 at 12:00 noon

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Are you interested in working for the TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS For the 2010 Year Registration forms are available at the Township Office Box 359, 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario. K0M 2K0. All forms are to be returned to the Township of Minden Hills, in a sealed envelope, to the attention of Kevin Hill, Road Superintendent, clearly marked "Truck & Equipment Registration Forms", no later than Tuesday, March 2nd, 2010 at 12:00 noon.

LOWEST OR ANY TENDER NOT NECESSARILY ACCEPTED

Township of Minden Hills, 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 to the attention of Mr. Kevin Hill, CRS-S, Road Superintendent, (705) 286-3114

MEETINGS & EVENTS

- Feb 28 @ 8 a.m. Annual Family Ice Fishing Tournament - Pigeon Lake.
- Feb 28 No Public Skating-Hockey Haven Tournament
- Mar 11 COTW Meeting Council Chambers 9 a.m.
- Mar 22 Public Meeting re: 2010 Tariff of Fees and Charges 1 pm.
- Mar 22 Special Council Meeting (Budget Deliberation) followed by a Public Meeting.
- Mar 25 Council - Council Chambers 9 a.m. Consideration of 2010 Budget

NOTICE

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING & PUBLIC MEETING *REVISED DATE*

THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING FOR 2010 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FROM THURSDAY, MARCH 18TH, 2010 TO MONDAY, MARCH 22ND, 2010 AT 1:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 7 MILNE STREET, MINDEN. PUBLIC MEETINGS WILL FOLLOW THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING TO CONSIDER:

- A) TARIFF OF FEES & CHARGES PROPOSED FOR 2010
B) 2010 BUDGET

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Publishing Panel Discussion, MHCC Common Room

Feb. 27 1:30 pm Presented by HHWEN and R.D.L.P.

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LOGO(S) until March 12, Agnes Jamieson Gallery

The intent of this exhibition is to play upon these words: Logos and logo. Artists Lois Raw, Michael Bainbridge and Wayne Rose were invited to respond to the idea proposed in the curatorial thesis by Laurie Carmount.

MARCH BREAK CULTURE CLUB - Children breakaway from boredom! MARCH 15 – 19, age 7+

REGISTRATION is now OPEN for workshops that have kids cut up and act out while learning about the arts, literature, heritage, and the environment. Registration forms at www.mindenculturalcentre.com or CALL 286-3763

Poetry Workshop with John Unrau and Pat Brown March 20 1:30 pm R.D. Lawrence Place

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CALL FOR SUBMISSION - Canadian Landscape Juried Exhibition Agnes Jamieson Gallery

The exhibit will run from July 27–September 11, 2010.

Jurors: Laurie Carmount, curator Agnes Jamieson Gallery; Virginia Eichhorn, director/curator Tom Thomson Art Gallery; Rhona Wenger, curator Grimsby Art Gallery
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Go to www.mindenculturalcentre.com to download entry form or call 705-286-3763.

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**For a complete list of regular 2010 COTW/
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SURPLUS MUNICIPAL PROPERTY

Take Notice, pursuant to Policy No. 52, and Resolution 10-12, the Council of the Township of Minden Hills has declared the following municipally owned land as surplus to municipal needs. Anyone with inquiries about these properties or anyone wishing to comment on the proposed sale of lands, should contact the Chief Building Official of the Township of Minden Hills at (705) 286-1260 ext. 208, or kjones@mindenhills.ca or the Clerk at (705) 286-1260 ext. 214 or cmccarroll@mindenhills.ca

1. Roll No. 010-000-61700-0000
Part Lot 7, Concession A, Township of Anson
As surplus to allow it to be merged with the larger parcel –
Part of Lot 8, Concession A, geographic Township of Anson
Assessment Roll No. 010-000-61900-0000
Fronting Bobcaygeon Road

ATTENTION

REQUEST TENDERS AND QUOTATIONS

1. Request for Tenders to Supply: Used Pick-up Truck Minden Hills Community Services Department Deadline for sealed response:

March 31, 2010 12:00 pm

Tender opening: March 31, 2010 4:15 pm, Minden Hills Municipal Office
Deadline for delivery: No later than Friday, April 30, 2010

2. Request for Quotation to supply: One twin-axle heavy-duty landscaping trailer with specified racks Minden Hills Community Services Department
Deadline for response March 3, 2010 12:00 pm
Deadline for delivery: No later than Friday, April 30, 2010

Full specifications available from www.mindenhills.ca or by contacting rcox@mindenhills.ca

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Haliburton COUNTY news

Library circ shoots up

by JENN WATT
Editor

Circulation is up. Way up.

It seems that Haliburton County's library system is experiencing something of a renaissance on the heels of two shining new libraries and a new chief librarian who gets a sparkle in her eye when she talks about the future of the eight-branch system.

"Everything ... happened as I hoped it would," says Bessie Sullivan, who has been in charge for just less than one year.

In that year, not only were two new libraries built, but a dozen other initiatives commenced as well, including increased hours, a new DVD collection, a subscription to the searchable genealogy database, Ancestry.ca, the ability to request materials online and WiFi Internet access.

Perhaps as a result of these changes, the amount of material loaned by the library has reached levels in January normally seen in July.

Dysart's branch recorded 4,417 books, CDs or DVDs loaned in January this year. Minden lent 2,173 in that same time.

Compared to last year's numbers, circulation for the month is up almost 50 per cent at both branches. Last January, Dysart sent 2,244 items out the door, while Minden had 1,051.

Sullivan has a few explanations for the upswing. "It's pretty typical of new construction" that circulation increases, she says, plus "in June we started doing regular delivery and pick-up at all branches. Patrons now know stuff comes to every branch once a week, sometimes twice."

That reliability is enough to spur more material requests, especially to those who visit smaller branches that don't have as much on the shelves.

Across all branches, circulation went up 19 per cent between 2008 and 2009, figures show. It isn't just the physical facilities that are drawing more patrons to the new Minden and Haliburton locations, but the resources and lengthened hours that accompany those buildings.

In Haliburton, the branch went from 32 hours to 44 to accommodate the renewed interest in the library. Hours have not changed in Algonquin Highlands or Highlands East, both communities that opposed large, centralized libraries in favour of neighbourhood branches. Circulation numbers have increased more modestly at those branches.

Capitalizing on the renewed interest in the library, Sullivan says they are developing community partnerships to keep momentum. The Ontario Early Years Centre in Minden brought the children in for literacy day and in Haliburton J.D. Hodgson Elementary School classes regularly walk over to learn about the new building.

Attitudes about the role of the library have changed, too. Food, chatting, meetings, even DVD watching are all acceptable in the libraries, which Sullivan sees more as meeting places than silent rows of books.

In fact, Minden's branch is planning to try out a coffee cart for patrons – a suggestion from the public.

"Libraries aren't quiet anymore ... they're community hubs," Sullivan says. "We have WiFi, we don't mind if you eat – spend all day," she says.

Laurie Scott has company

by LISA GERVAIS
Lindsay Post

He has travelled the country as executive assistant to a federal cabinet minister and now Isaac Breadner wants to bring that experience home to represent Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock at Queen's Park.

Breadner has joined Laurie Scott in announcing that he will seek the Progressive Conservative (PC) nomination in the riding for the 2011 election.

He has been federal environment minister Jim Prentice's right-hand man out of Ottawa, a job that has involved a lot of travelling and experience in a number of jurisdictions, ranging from Aboriginal affairs to the environment and industry.

"I've worked in Ottawa for a cabinet minister and I have had the opportunity to follow him around the country in different portfolios. And, now, I have a chance to come home and offer that unique experience," he said.

Breadner was born and raised in the Lindsay area and attended Jack Callaghan Public School before moving on to I.E. Weldon Secondary School.

He holds an advertising and communications

diploma from Mohawk College and an honours degree in political science from the University of Western Ontario.

He thinks he can make the transition from federal to provincial politics.

"I feel that a lot of the provincial issues are very important to people directly versus a lot of the federal issues," he said, "it is about the community and riding and doing what is best for the electorate" not whether it is a federal or provincial issue.

Breadner said he knows he has his work cut out for him, running against Scott and incumbent Liberal MPP Rick Johnson.

"That is why I have nominated early. My main focus is to get out there and talk to as many people as I possibly can. They need to meet me and see me. I am just going to work as hard as I can and do the best I can."

Breadner, who is just shy of his 30th birthday, has been a volunteer campaigner for the PCs in the past. He has worked for MP Barry Devolin and Scott.

Devolin paid him a compliment in 2005, saying "he's very enthusiastic and he knows a lot of people."

2009 big year for cycling on local roads

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Representatives of the Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition and the county's Communities in Action committee thanked county councillors for their continued cooperation on projects to promote active living during a meeting last week.

Dick Charron of the cycling coalition and Kate Hall of Communities in Action made a brief presentation at a Feb. 17 council meeting.

Charron said 2009 had been a big year for the cycling coalition with paved shoulders put in along sections of county roads 21, 1 and 503; and 86 "Share the Road" signs installed throughout the county.

In her presentation, Hall said it was encouraging to see lo-

cal government supporting projects to increase fitness levels and specifically complimented Minden Hills for the continuation of its Riverwalk project.

"It's great to see that trail developing," she said.

Hall said she had attended a number of conferences and trade shows last year where she promoted Haliburton County as a destination for those interested in healthy living.

"Some of the work we're doing is also showing up in a number of publications," she said, explaining that a recent Transport Canada document featured the Riverwalk project and that Haliburton County was featured in a destination guide out of Nanaimo, B.C.

Hall said she is working on a survey concerning the eating habits and fitness levels of Haliburton County residents and she and Charron said they were looking forward the county's continued support of their projects in 2010.



Matt's dream

NHLer Matt Duchene, left, practised with his old Hal High team last Thursday night. He signed autographs at Minden's S. G. Nesbitt Arena.

Standby agreement stays put

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Residents of Carnarvon can rest easy.

The standby fire services agreement between Minden Hills and Algonquin Highlands is going to stay exactly as it is.

Discussions over changes to the agreement at council meetings in November and December caused a great deal of controversy, and in some cases, outrage, in the Carnarvon area.

For the past 20 years, Minden Hills (formerly Minden) township has paid Algonquin Highlands (formerly Stanhope) township a flat fee of \$5,000 a year and in return, Stanhope's fire department respond not only to fire calls (that's a separate agreement), but also car crashes and emergency medical calls in and around Carnarvon. While Carnarvon is part of Minden Hills, it sits much closer to Stanhope than it does to Minden itself.

Last fall, as Minden fire chief Doug

Schell attempted to trim his 2010 budget, he suggested the agreement could be discontinued, and that Minden fire-fighters could respond to emergencies in Carnarvon.

Schell admitted this could mean a response time of an additional five minutes, which resulted in a number of angry letters to the newspaper and phone calls to politicians from both councils.

Minden Hills then suggested Schell go back to the table with Algonquin Highlands, to see if the standby fee could be lowered.

Algonquin Highlands refused to budge and Reeve Eleanor Harrison pointed out that the fee had never even been increased over the 20-year period and fire chief John Hogg said it cost Algonquin Highlands more than \$5,000 a year to respond to calls in the Carnarvon area.

Schell confirmed last week that the standby agreement would remain unchanged.

"We've just left it as is," he said.

Council approves new dock for Frost Centre

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands township will be installing a new dock behind the Frost Centre Institute.

As the township's trails coordinator Mark Coleman reported last week, the dock that has served the centre for the last half-century has been removed.

Coleman said the aging dock was simply getting too rotten to go on repairing.

"We're looking to replace the dock with a smaller dock," he told councillors, pointing out that old dock had been massive with three sections each measuring

10 metres in length in and five metres in width.

The large dock had been required to accommodate floating planes when the facility was run by the province, Coleman said, but noted that it now only required a dock large enough to suit canoeists and kayakers.

Coleman said the new dock would consist of two sections each measuring approximately seven metres in length and three across.

At Coleman's recommendation, councillors awarded the contract for the dock to Carnarvon's Castle Building Centre for just more than \$6,400.

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Haliburton County Outdoors

by Steve Galea

Ice fishing goes high-tech

For most of us, ice fishing is a wait-and-see game that relies on past experience, faith in your chosen technique and more than a bit of patience. You go to a trusted spot, drill a hole or two, lower a minnow or jig and hope that the fish are there and biting.

But, like just about everything else, this once simple sport is going high-tech. Modern fish-finding electronics, power augers, and increased mobility due to snowmobiles, ATVs and portable huts are changing the game entirely. And, if you ask me, for the better.

Andrew Graham, of Graham's Guiding Service, proved this to me on a recent outing. He is, as far as I'm aware, Haliburton County's only ice fishing guide; he rents huts, but also teaches techniques, guides anglers on backwoods ice fishing adventures and introduces them to tactics they probably haven't tried before.

The 27-year-old Mindenite has impeccable credentials for the job too. He and his angling partner have placed in the top 10 in the prestigious Canadian Ice Fishing Championships three times in six attempts, including one first place win in 2007 – no small achievement as this tournament typically draws about 150 skilled teams. When he's not in the county running his business, Graham is busy guiding hunters or anglers in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories or Nunavut. It's a job he loves and is good at.

As an ice angler of the cutting edge, he's an enthusiastic proponent of fishing electronics.

"Electronics have revolutionized ice fishing," he says. "Once you get the hang of using these units, you'll never go back to the old way. They allow you to 'see' your bait, fish activity, the structure of the lake and determine if the fish are in a passive or aggressive mood. They show you that there are fish below, so you remain confident. And that's key to fishing success."

On our outing, I caught and released three lake trout and missed hooking three more because I was interviewing Andrew and not heeding my line – not bad for a slow day on the lake.

His state-of-the-art fish finder had the sensitivity to detect the swivels on our lines some 70-feet down. It also showed that the fish were relatively inactive that day – they'd rise to the bait but stop short. Without this vital electronic intelligence, many anglers would have moved on, completely unaware that they were over fish. But those red lines on that small screen told a different story, so we experimented with presentation and changed lures until we found the combination they couldn't resist.

One of the tactics Graham employs in conjunction with electronics is "running and gunning." This means continually moving from spot to spot, drilling holes, scoping them out with electronics, and dropping a line when fish are present. If hook-ups don't happen in short order, you move to the next spot and repeat the process. It's an efficient tactic that accounted for all three fish.

Obviously, there's more to the modern approach than



Ice fisherman Andrew Graham shows off his catch in Mountain Lake.

mobility and electronics. There's benefit, for instance, in downsizing bait when dealing with inactive fish and using larger baits when lunkers are marked lurking below. The little things count too: the right knots, good line, and a sensitive rod/reel combo all up your odds.

Graham teaches all this and more to his clients with lessons for newbies and experienced anglers alike. Contact him at 705-935-0003 or visit his website at www.grahamguiding.com to see what else he can offer. You won't regret it. Andrew Graham is the real deal.

Moose numbers are on the rise

Moose in Wildlife Management Unit (WMU) 56 seem to be doing well, according to Ministry of Natural Resources Minden area biologist Gerry Moraal.

He reports that the 2010 MNR aerial moose survey, conducted in mid-January, came up with a population estimate of 459 moose in the unit, up from the last estimate of 436 in 2007. The observations suggest the herd consists of 106 bulls, 252 cows, and 101 calves.

"That's means that calves represent about 20 per cent of the population, which is indicative of a healthy herd," he says.

Pilot and observers put in 20 hours of flight time over the course of a week and surveyed 19 of the 100 plots in WMU 56. (A plot is an area 10 by 2.5 kilometres.)

"Essentially, they fly lines about 200 feet above the ground and whenever they cross fresh moose tracks, follow them until they find the animal that made them," says Moraal.

The population estimate will help him determine moose tag allocations for the unit for the 2010 hunt. This information will be available in mid-March, he says.

Upcoming outdoors events

Here's a brief listing of outdoor events for the next month. If you'd like to post any Haliburton County-based outdoor-related events, please email Steve at TheOutdoorLife@aol.com.

Feb. 27:

The Irondale Fishing Derby

Place: Contau and Salerno Lakes

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Target species: Walleye

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For more information call Barry Simmons at 447-2380.

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Place: Pigeon Lake

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Target Species: Lake trout

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Weigh in: 3 to 6 p.m.

Target species: Lake trout

Prizes: Prize money divided among winners.

For more information call Mary Dunne 448-3512 or 448-2221.

Livingstone Lake residents want council's help in maintaining access to their properties

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

A group of Livingstone Lake property owners are hoping Algonquin Highlands councillors will help them maintain access to their properties.

At a Feb. 18 meeting, councillors were visited by Claude Durocher and Karen Hammond, who, among other requests, asked that council build a concrete boat ramp at a public access point on the lake.

As Durocher and Hammond explained, they built a home on their water-access-only lot in 1999 and have been fulltime residents there since 2006. During those years, Durocher and Hammond, along with three other water-access-only property owners, have paid a neighbouring resort owner to park their vehicles on her property and dock their boats at her docking facility.

However, that neighbour passed away in December and Durocher told council that the executor of her estate has notified him and other landowners that as of the end of April, they will no longer be able to use the resort property to store their vehicles or access their properties.

"We want reasonable access to the lake and our home," he said.

Durocher and Hammond, speaking on behalf of them-

selves and three other property owners, requested that council establish a concrete boat launch on a public access point on the lake, allow them to construct a dock at the site, establish a parking area along Laurel Lane, which is a Crown road in the area, and clear a walking path between Laurel Lane and their properties.

Councillors told Durocher and Hammond that the changes they had in mind would also require permission from the natural resources ministry, but Durocher responded that he'd already been in contact with the MNR and said that ministry officials wouldn't talk to him about the situation until he had received the approval of council.

"We're a bit like the meat in the sandwich here," Durocher told councillors.

Councillor Carol Moffatt told the couple that she was empathetic to their situation, but had concerns over what was being requested.

Moffatt pointed out that the township had dealt with private docks on public lands before and said the situation could often get messy, as non-residents will almost inevitably use the publicly located infrastructure.

"By helping you, we could be making it worse for you in the future," she said.

Moffatt said she was also concerned about the viability of a footpath and how long it would remain a footpath.

"Your footpath is a footpath until one of you brings in

a sofa," she said.

Councillor Diane Griffin said she thought council should be taking some kind of action since the end of April was not that far off.

"I think our timing is of great concern," Griffin said. "The timing is just terrible here."

The township's public operations director, Brian Whetstone, was asked for his opinion on the matter and while Whetstone said the area is relatively flat and that doing some clearing wouldn't likely pose much of a logistical problem, he said he thought any decision by council would be premature.

Whetstone pointed out that Durocher and Hammond had not received written confirmation from the executor of the resort property that they would no longer be able to use the property and suggested that if the intent was to sell the property, that perhaps the new owner would set up an arrangement similar to the one that is supposed to expire in the spring.

"Those are all questions I think need to be answered," Whetstone said.

Councillors agreed, reluctant to make a quick decision on a matter that some suggested could be precedent-setting and said they would need to see written confirmation that the water-access landowners would no longer be able to use the resort property before they made any decision on the matter.



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Factory work did not appeal to Mifflin

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While a number of boys his age were working at the GM factory in Oshawa, and while the factory was known for paying well, Mifflin says he saw how discouraged and miserable working on the assembly line made some of his peers and knew he didn't want to end up that way.

"I couldn't picture myself getting up in the morning and hate going to work," he says.

He cut hair alongside his father for years and remembers often working as late as 10 p.m. on Saturday nights.

It was Saturday nights, after their milking was done, that the area's farmers would come in for a haircut and shave, Mifflin explains.

"They would get real close shaves so they wouldn't have to shave themselves for church in the morning," he says.

Most of these farmers wouldn't pay Mifflin's father. Not with money, anyway.

Rather, at harvest time, they would show up at the shop with bushels of potatoes, apples, carrots and other produce that the Mifflin family could eat through the winter.

Mifflin learned a number of lessons from his father, including the importance

of always keeping change on hand for customers. He explains that once, a man had gone to pay his father with a \$5 bill (a large sum of money at the time) and that his father hadn't had enough change on hand. The man said he would come back after breaking the bill, but never did.

"Dad lost a haircut," Mifflin says, adding that he has never made the same mistake.

Mifflin would eventually open his own shop and has been cutting hair in Haliburton County since 1979.

Today, Mifflin still practices bartering at his shop, explaining that some clients will bring him eggs or perform some kind of service in lieu of payment.

For paying customers, a trim costs just \$8.

"I stand behind every haircut," he says, pausing to see if the pun has sunk in.

Mifflin cuts hair Wednesday through Saturday and after all these years still loves his job.

"It's the people, it's the customers," he says.

The walls and shelves of his shop are covered with photos, knick-knacks and gag gifts from his clients.

So, when does Mifflin plan to give up the family trade?

"The day I die," he says.



Jim Mifflin, seen here in the barber shop in the basement of his home off North Shore Road, will have been cutting hair for 60 years this May. Chad Ingram Photo.

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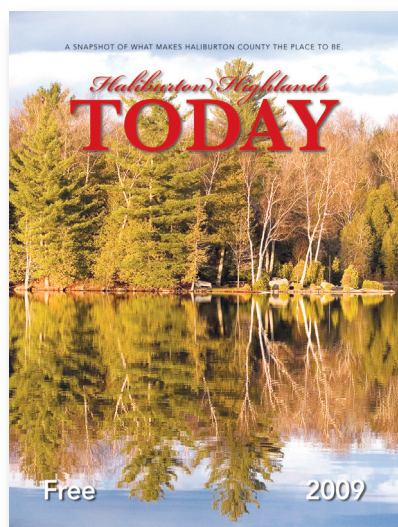
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First period sealed the Knights' fate against superior Hawks

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Hawks.

The goal, engineered from the feathered blade of Ashton Haley to the quick hands of Ian Bottum, sealed the deal on a 5-1 Hal High victory over the Norwood Knights last Monday evening at the old Dysart Barn.

The goal was noteworthy because it symbolized what the Red Hawks have been doing to opposition teams all season long: quick clicking counterpunching provoked by solid neutral zone pressure.

The game-winning tally started innocently enough, a tight feed from hawk-eyed Haley to Bottum, who then shed and shredded a defender and struck in all alone on the left wing.

Bottum finished the set piece with a double dip snip and snipe stick side that had Knight goaltender Cody Batchelor

Driscoll glancing sideways for his proverbial unmentionables.

The goal with just 2:34 remaining in the opening frame made it 2-0 Hawks and was an important tally, because it erased the lingering innuendo of a somewhat jittery start against the Knights, who were the only team with a chance at unseating the Hawks from a first place berth. The Knights entered the game 9-2-1, with the possibility of an 11-2-1 finish if they defeated the Hawks on Monday. Hawks are now 12-0-1 and undefeated on the season.

Bottum's goal also seemed to unsettle the Knights who were discombobulated just 46 seconds later when Hawks' captain Matt Rae churned yet another left-wing attack unassisted to beat Driscoll low and stick side.

Hawks took that 3-0 lead into the second period and they led 3-1 after two. Keaton

Gadway scored the first goal, Haley scored the fourth and Kevin Nelson placed the finishing brush stroke on the masterpiece with a late third period tally. The other assists went to Bottum, Greg Clements and Scott Griffith.

Head coach Ron Yake and assistant coach Gary Brohman were both ecstatic after the game. But their joy was slightly overshadowed by the beaming presence of Haliburton's own NHL rookie sensation Matt Duchene, who looked right at home behind the bench of his old team last Monday.

Duchene returned to Denver yesterday, but the third overall pick in the 2009 NHL draft, spent his last night in Haliburton just where he wanted to be: in his old rink, with his old team, in the midst of all those rabid hometown fans.

Yake said after the game that he was incredibly proud of what his players have accomplished to date.

"We wanted to win and get home ice advantage and that's what we did and that's what we've got," said Yake. He added that playing against a team with the league's most prolific scorer – Nick Orton, who has an amazing 21 goals and 17 assists in 12 games this season – was always going to be a challenge.

Balance, speed and solid positional play

is what turned the tide last Monday.

"I think even against the stronger teams, it's our constant pressure that works best [for us]," said Yake. "I said to the guys, 'don't sit back,' because the key to our team is our forecheck; play our system, but always keep the legs going and always keep the pressure on."

It looked like it might all go pear-shaped at the start of the third when the Hawks were facing a five-on-three penalty kill situation. "It was still just a 3-1 hockey game at that point, and it was important to kill those penalties," said Yake. "I thought it was a turning point; we killed penalties very well, and we basically took the neutral zone away on our penalty kill."

Yake also gave a sincere nod to Hawks goaltender Alex Monk Cray, who stood out both on the penalty kill and in the first five minutes of the game when the Knights held court almost exclusively in the Hal High zone. "Great job on the penalty kill; the goalie is almost always your best penalty killer," said Yake. "Alex stepped up to the plate and played very well."

Monk Cray said that his most trying stretch in goal came in the opening minutes of the game, when Norwood and Orton in particular came out flying and

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Ian Bottum tries at a goal on the Knight net. His goal in the first period seemed to unnerve the Norwood team.

More great hockey at home March 3 in both Minden and Haliburton

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cylinders. "Oh yeah I counted five shots in the first few minutes of that first period," said Monk Cray. He withstood that storm only to be faced with that equally intense two-minute stretch at the beginning of the third period when the Hawks had two skaters in the sin bin.

"It was scary I was just thinking we got a five on three

for over a minute and they have the top scorer in the league," smiled Monk Cray. "I felt so good this game. I felt healthy and knowing that if I played my position, I'd do the job; that's what works. And I trusted my teammates and we did it. We were just that ready and just that good." The Hawks play sudden death against the eighth place team next Monday night at Dysart Arena – game time 7:15 p.m. Then if they win that game they host the

Kawartha final four tourney which starts Wednesday, March 3. Semi final action of the AA tourney begins at 10 a.m. with action at both Dysart and S.G. Nesbitt (Minden) arenas.

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Having a ball

Photos by Chad Ingram

Hundreds made their way to Dorset on Feb. 20 for the community's 20th annual Snow Ball. The day started with a pancake breakfast and parade and included myriad events from snowshoe races to broomball; from minnow races to karaoke; from wood carving to miniature snowmobile races.



Tyler VanderVeen was such a big fan of the mini snowmobiles that he just wouldn't stop and had to be chased down by his parents.



David Johnson, left, and Stuart Shortreed tried out an old-fashioned saw with some advice from Brad Johnson at the shantyman's tools exhibit.



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This tall fellow drew a few glances with his juggling act during the opening parade.



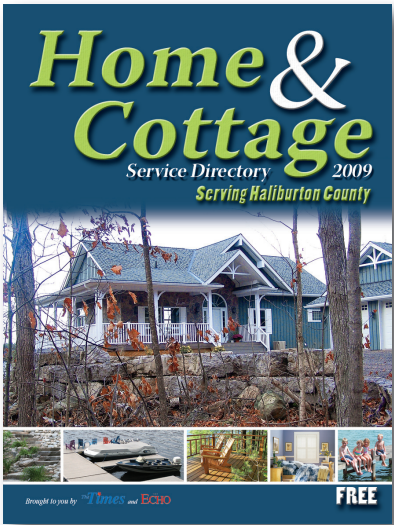
Dorset's town crier officially declared the Snow Ball open as Algonquin Highlands Councillor Carol Moffatt and Deputy-reeve Tom Gardner looked on.



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Landfill expansion on horizon

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

An expansion of the Maple Lake landfill may be completed before the year is over.

The project has been in the works for years, but has been repeatedly held up due to a need to comply with a number of governmental requirements.

Public works director Brian Whetstone told councillors last week that the township could be looking at increasing the landfill's capacity by some time this fall.

First, however, the township must dig a well at the site.

"I've been assured that this will be the last hurdle," Whetstone said.

His comment was met with exasperated laughter by most of council.

As Whetstone explained, the environment ministry is demanding the township dig a well that will tap into the area's bedrock. The purpose of this well will be to confirm the nature of groundwater flow, the quality of the bedrock water and to be used for future water testing.

Whetstone said after the well is drilled, the ministry will perform two inspections that last for several weeks throughout the spring and summer and said the expansion could happen as soon as mid-October.

Whetstone said the well would cost approximately \$13,000 to drill and council approved the project, using money from reserves for waste services.

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Chicks with sticks

Haliburton County's all-female hockey team, the Chicks with Sticks, took on members of the Haliburton Highlands OPP in a charity game at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena on Feb. 19. The game was close throughout and ended in a 6-6 tie. It was a fundraiser for Minden's early learning centre. / Photo by Chad Ingram



From left to right: Barry Simon, vice, Pat Woodcroft, skip, Gail Simon, 2nd and Val duManoir, lead took an eight-ender at the Minden Curling Club on Feb. 15.

Eight-ender at Minden Curling Club

The team of Pat Woodcroft (skip), Barry Simon (vice), Gail Simon (2nd), and Val duManoir (lead) took an eight ender on Feb. 15, during Monday Mixed League curling competition, at the Minden Curling Club. For those unfamiliar with curling terms, this means that every rock played by all members of the team (that's eight rocks total) must stay on the ice and end up on the bull's eye and closer to the centre of the bull's eye than any rock placed by the competition. For this you count a score of eight points. You can see the actual placement in the photo. Members of the curling club stated they could last remember an eight ender occurring perhaps 10 years ago and most curlers never experience such an occasion in their curling careers. Presumably it would be similar to a "hole-in-one" in golf? Now for those unfamiliar with golfing terms...

- Submitted by Pauline Plooard

Minden team wins senior men's bonspiel

by DON PFLUG
Special to the Times

The CarQuest Senior Men's Invitational Bonspiel attracts curlers from 10 different curling clubs in Central Ontario. The 64 curlers representing 16 teams enjoyed keen competition and at the end of the day the Norton



From left, Larry Goreski, Steve Robson, Norton Gary and Jack Taylor took top spot at the CarQuest Senior Men's Bonspiel. /Photo submitted

Gary team from Minden took the honours.

The new owners of CarQuest, Minden, Andy and Christa Rickard, were introduced to the curlers and Christa drew the ticket for the draw prize, won by Ed Pickard of Haliburton.

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Hoop Hawks get heave ho

The Hal High senior hoops squad struggled valiantly versus long-time nemesis I.E. Weldon Wildcats last Wednesday in the Elite Eight section of Kawartha's Sweet 16 tournament.

In the balance, a trip to the final four.

Wasn't to be, however, as the AAA Wildcats turned back the AA Red Hawks 30-20.

Coach Roland Zilla said his team saved their best for last.

"We lost the game but we played our best game of the season," said Zilla. "With two minutes left they were only up six, but they went into a stall, and we had to foul them to get the ball back, and they pulled away in the last two minutes."

Andrew Elia scored 10 points and Luke Watson hit six in the defensive battle.

"It was an excellent game," said Zilla. "We played phenomenal."

However, a sticking point remains the looming spectacle of the newly installed Sweet 16 format, which pitted AA and AAA schools in the same playoff groupings. Zilla said that the Red Hawks were one of the few AA schools that were forced to play AAA competition in both playoff games, which means that the Hawks were on the south side

of some very suspect seedings.

He said that the team arrived in Peterborough early last Wednesday especially so they could scout the game prior to theirs, which pitted two AA schools from Peterborough, Adam Scott and Kenner, in another Elite Eight match-up.

"Walter [Tose, assistant coach.] and I wanted to get there early to scout that Kenner Adam Scott game," said Zilla. Adam Scott went on to win the game. "There was no doubt that we were a better team than Adam Scott but because of the seedings involved, we ended up playing two AAA teams and we never got a chance to play a AA team."

Also unfortunate because that Wildcat team is probably the best AAA team in both Kawartha and COSSA.

"It's too bad that the draw didn't work out a different way," lamented Zilla.

"That's one of the problems with that Sweet 16. We had to play two AAA teams and I also don't know why two Kawartha West teams were playing each other and two Peterborough teams were playing against each other. It's tough to have your season end that way."

Of course now that the season is over Zilla is looking, like most coaches do, toward next year. And the glass is just a little more than half full for Zilla who just got word that one of his top players, Watson, will be returning next season. There was some speculation that Watson, who is in Grade 12, would graduate out of Hal High with co-captain Adam van Nood in June.

However, Watson has opted to stay for a fifth year of high school and that is especially great news for Zilla, who pondered retiring as coach, but now says that he'll be back for at least another season.

Watson will be back with Andrew Elia and they may be aided in the frontcourt with the addition of junior star Damon Flatman who will be joining the seniors next season.

Zilla says he's looking forward to the 2010-11 season, but said his boys could take pride in their accomplishments this year.

Red Hawks lose at Gore bonspiel

One last weekend; one final bonspiel.

That's what it came down to for Hal High's star-crossed curling foursome last weekend.

They earned the right to defend their Gore High School Curling title through a series of grueling qualification tournaments that began several months ago.

Last weekend the Hal High curling foursome consisting of skip, Jesse Walker, third, Owen Duhaime, second, Connor Cowan, and lead, Mike Mazara travelled to St. Thomas Curling Club – home of this year's Gore high school bonspiel.

They had the trophy, but their appearance at this year's Gore had some bittersweet qualities.

Due to some scheduling conflicts, the Red Hawks, who placed first in the Southwest Kawartha zone, had to withdraw from further play in the Kawartha zone, COSSA, and indeed OFSAA this year.

Duhaime is curling lead in the winter games and Mazara is a provincial competitor in the Ontario winter games' wrestling tournament. The Hal High team has no spares and had to make a heartbreaking decision two weeks ago to withdraw the team from further league play.

Thus it came down to an all or nothing whirlwind weekend in St. Thomas.

The Hawks were placed in what turned out to be the strongest four-team pool. They endured round robin losses to North Dundas (8-7), St. James (8-7) and Mother Theresa (9-7) and they did not advance to the medal round. Mother Theresa ended up defeating St. James 7-3 in the Gore final.

Coaches Tom Dibblee and Russ Duhaime were both pleased with the stellar play exhibited by their young team. "We were a very competitive force making the other teams in our pool work for every shot," said Dibblee last Sunday.

Dibblee added that, "highlights of the weekend were our excellent team play and sportsmanship . . . our Red Hawks supported each other the whole weekend."

He added that the team owed special thanks to co-coach Russ Duhaime, and all the Red Hawk family members who made the trek south to St. Thomas to support their boys.

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Senior Hawks host Kawartha volleyball finals

Eight high school teams from Holy Cross, Cobourg West, Clarke, Brock, Lakefield District, Adam Scott, and Thomas A Stewart participated along with host Hal High in the Kawartha zone senior girls volleyball playdowns last Thursday at the Hawks' Nest. In what can only be described as a perplexing scheduling anomaly, this final tourney was the only opportunity the Red Hawk senior girls volleyball team had to play at home during the entire 2009-10 season. Brock Bulldogs from Cannington won the tournament. Hal High girls were shut down by LDSS and Cobourg in their preliminary round robin action but rebounded to take a set from Adam Scott. They never advanced through their pool. In the above picture Hawks stalwart strong middle attacker Jenna Dibblee (12) just misses a strong side block.

/Photo by Terrance Gavan.



Coaches Paul Klose and Dan Fockler are tremendously impressed by all of the team's efforts, as many of the wrestlers on the team are first year wrestlers. They are looking forward for the years to come with these athletes.

/Photo submitted

Way to go girls

On Wednesday, Feb. 17, the Red Hawk wrestling team travelled to LCVI in Lindsay to wrestle in the COSSA championships.

All athletes wrestled well, and some managed to place in the top three, including bronze medalists Tara O'Sullivan and Emma Paul, silver medalists Baily Walker and Sasha White, and gold medalists Christianna Walker and Nicole Mazara.

Special mention also to Megan Tompose, Liz Thoth and Cody Cox as they wrestled extremely well and managed to receive fourth place in their weight classes.

Submitted by Paul Klose

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Wright brothers advance to OFSAA

Five talented Red Hawk skiers achieved some stellar results at the COSSA meet held at Glebe Park last Wednesday.

Two senior boys' skiers, brothers Josh and Daniel Wright, finished with a silver and a fourth place finish respectively in their individual event, and they will be moving on to OFSAA provincial Nordic finals slated for Midland beginning tomorrow (Wednesday, Feb. 24).

Monty Wheeler finished first in his novice class. Christine Darlington placed fourth in her junior individual race. Greg Foster, who also races snowboard for Hal High, placed eighth in junior boys, and will not be moving on to OFSAA, but may be heading to OFSAA in snowboard slalom.

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RDLP seeks writer in residence

R.D. Lawrence Place is thrilled to announce new funding for the Writer In-Residence program. Due to fundraising and a new contribution from the Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network, an honorarium of up to \$1,000 will be offered to the 2010 Writer In Residence. The Haliburton County Library's Minden Branch is also now supporting the WIR program.

"This program offers an excellent opportunity for a professional writer to build their portfolio, work with the public and network with celebrated authors," says Sheryl Loucks, R.D. Lawrence Place coordinator.

The Writer In Residence program pre-dates the construction of RDLP, and was started by Pauline Johnson. Her legacy is to have orchestrated and edited the R.D. Lawrence Commemorative Anthology in 2007. In 2008, Michael Fay was the first Writer In Residence at the then-new R.D. Lawrence Place. He offered a program of exceptional speakers and during his tenure

finished his play *A River Needs To Run* which was produced outdoors at the centre by the Conjurers of County Town. In 2009, Stacy Kirkbride took up the mantle. She offered a Knit and Lit circle program, assisted with the launch of the inaugural R.D. Lawrence Literary Festival and was a judge for the first R.D. Lawrence Place Creative Writing Contest. Her poem also took first place in last year's HHWEN Annual Poet Trees Project.

Writers interested in this program can contact Loucks and application guidelines are also posted at www.mindenculturalcentre.com. The application deadline is now March 6.

R.D. Lawrence Place has a mandate to foster a love of reading, promote the art of writing and deepen respect for natural heritage. It is located at 176 Bobcaygeon Road at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre which includes the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Minden Hills Museum, and Minden Library. The centre is owned and operated by the Township of Minden Hills.

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Feds announce \$25,000 for seniors' programming

Local MP Barry Devolin, on behalf of the Honourable Diane Finley, Minister of Human Resources and Social Development and the Honourable Diane Ablonczy Minister of State (Seniors), today announced \$25,000 in funding to the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit through the Government of Canada's New Horizons for Seniors Program (NHSP).

The money will be used for the Health Unit's Age Friendly program in the City of Kawartha Lakes. The endeavour will allow seniors to assess the age-friendliness of Kawartha Lakes and identify strengths and gaps that will create an environment for safe, active, positive aging, thereby raising community awareness of seniors' issues.

"The government of Canada is committed to the well-being of seniors in my rid-


ing and across the country," said Devolin. "This project will promote dialogue and allow seniors share their skills, experience and wisdom to others while staying involved in their community."

"The staff of the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit should be commended for their hard work in the communities they serve as this area is a better place because of them," stated Devolin.


NHSP provides grants to support a range of community-based projects across Canada that encourage seniors to contribute to their communities through social participation and active living. Projects support broad national objectives and regional priorities.

For more information on the Government of Canada's NHSP, visit their Web site at www.hrsdc.gc.ca.

Notice



NOTICE OF SUBMISSION
TOWNSHIP OF ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS
MAPLE LAKE WASTE DISPOSAL SITE CAPACITY EXPANSION



The Township of Algonquin Highlands has completed the Township of Algonquin Highlands Waste Management Plan Environmental Assessment, which defines a waste management strategy for the Township for a period of 25 years. As required under Section 6.2 (1) of the Environmental Assessment Act and according to the Terms of Reference approved by the Minister of the Environment on January 17, 2005, the Township of Algonquin Highlands has submitted its environmental assessment to the Ministry of the Environment for review and approval.

The alternatives to the undertaking were objectively evaluated based on natural, social, cultural, and economic environmental criteria. The Preferred Alternative will include the enhancement of the Township's waste diversion program, and the expansion of capacity at the Township's Maple Lake waste disposal site to accommodate waste for the next 25 years, which is the project subject to approval through this EA under the Environmental Assessment Act. The current capacity of the Maple Lake waste disposal site is 46,860 cubic metres and the proposed capacity is 199,860 cubic metres. The Maple Lake waste disposal site is located on part Lot 20, Concession 5, in the geographic township of Stanhope and is accessible from McPhail Road, approximately seven kilometers north of Camarvon.

As required under the Environmental Assessment Act, the environmental assessment will be available for public review and comment from February 26, 2010 to April 16, 2010. The Township invites interested parties to review the Maple Lake Waste Disposal Site Capacity Expansion Environmental Assessment Report at the following locations:

- The Township of Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office (1123 North Shore Road, Minden, Ontario)
Monday to Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm, (705) 489-2379
- The Township of Algonquin Highlands Dorset Office (1051 Main Street, Dorset, Ontario)
Tuesday and Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm, Wednesday 1:00pm-4:30pm, (705) 766-2211
- The Township of Algonquin Highlands WebPage: www.algonquinhighlands.ca/admin/waste_mgt.htm
- Stanhope Public Library (1109 North Shore Road, Minden, Ontario)
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Saturday 10:00am-12noon, (705) 766-9969
- Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Peterborough District Office
300 Water Street, Peterborough, Ontario
Monday to Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm, (705) 755-4300
- Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch
2 St. Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A, Toronto, Ontario
Monday to Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm, (800) 461-6290

Anyone wishing to provide comments on the environmental assessment must submit their comments in writing and/or by fax to the Ministry of the Environment by April 16, 2010.

All comments must be submitted to:

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A copy of all comments will be forwarded to the proponent for its consideration.

If you have any questions or need further information about this project, please contact the Township's Consultant (Cambium Environmental Inc.):

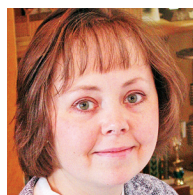
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Under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Environmental Assessment Act, unless otherwise stated in the submission, any personal information such as name, address, telephone number, and property location included in a submission will become part of the public record files for this matter and can be released, if requested, to any person.

Dated at the Township of Algonquin Highlands on the 19th day of February, 2010
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Writers' network hosts panel discussion this weekend



DORSET NEWS

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Haliburton writers are presenting a free panel discussion. Have you written a book, but aren't sure how to get it published?

The Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network will provide answers and options to publishing questions on Saturday, Feb. 27, when a panel comprised of local published authors will discuss the benefits and pitfalls of the various modes of publishing.

Presented by HHWEN and R. D. Lawrence place, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., in the old library room at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, 174 Bobcaygeon Road, the panel - moderated by RDLP co-ordinator, Sheryl Loucks - will include Reg Holloway, Marjorie Ludlow Green, Brenda Peddigrew, John Unrau, and Robert K. Smith. For additional information, contact Pat Brown at 705-286-6448 or mail rdlawrenceplace@mindenhills.ca.

The Dorset Lions are once again hosting a community dinner for all those aged 55 years or more. A sumptuous roast beef dinner with veggies, mashed potatoes and gravy and a delicious dessert will be served complete with entertainment at Lions Camp Dorset on Wednesday, Febr. 24 at 7:00 p.m. If you plan on attending, please give Esther a call at 766-2830.

Do you need a hand with your taxes? If you are unable to complete your income tax return and benefit return by yourself and are unable to pay for assistance, the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) may be for you.

Volunteers can help you complete your income tax return and benefit return if your income is low and your tax situation is simple. Volunteers do not complete income tax and benefit returns for deceased persons, bankrupt individuals, or individuals who have capital gains or losses, employment expenses, or business or rental income and expenses.

The District of Muskoka Community Services Department along with Revenue Canada's CVITP are pleased to offer free tax clinics and assistance with personal income tax returns every Wednesday in March from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. For more information, contact the Recreation Centre at 766-9968.

The next meeting of the Dorset Book Club is Wednesday, March 3 at 1 p.m. at the Dorset Library. The book to be discussed is Geraldine Brooks' *People of the Book* and all are welcome. For more information, call the library at 766-9968.

Lake of Bays township will be hosting an inaugural meeting to determine interest in developing a community plan for the Dorset Area on Wednesday, March 3 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. at the seniors' building on Hwy. 117. Pizza will be served.

Why? Lake of Bays Township has developed a strategic plan and one of the strategies calls for community plans for Dorset, Baysville and Dwight. Organizers of this meeting, Ruth Ross and Collin Reaney, would like to bring together all interested groups, businesses and individuals to discuss the development of the plan and to ensure that the township's priorities are geared to the needs of Dorset citizens.

World Day of Prayer takes place on Friday, March 5 at the Dorset seniors' building on Hwy 117 starting with coffee and muffins at 9 a.m. The theme is Cameroon, a microcosm of Africa and all are welcome. Activities will wrap up at 11 a.m. For more information, call Sheila at 766-2407.

NOTICES & TENDERS FOR:



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IN TODAY'S PAPER**



Township of Algonquin Highlands

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SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Township of Algonquin Highlands municipal office, 1123 North Shore Rd, Minden, ON, K0M 2K0, until 12:00 noon local time on Wednesday, March 10, 2010.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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Director of Public Works

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

In the matter of the Estate of **FREDERICK STANK**, deceased. All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of FREDERICK STANK, late of the Township of Lutterworth, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 20th day of February, 1999, are required to file particulars of such claims with the undersigned solicitor for the said Estate on or before the 15th day of April, 2010.

And take notice that after the last day named, the assets of the said Estate, will be distributed among persons hereto entitled having regard only to the claims of which the Executor for the Estate, being Fraser A. Rogers, shall have notice.

DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 10th day of February, 2010 by BISHOP AND ROGERS, Barrister and Solicitor, P.O. Box 472, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 2K0

Solicitor for the Executor of the Estate of Frederick Stank.

Having bowling shoes doesn't make you an expert



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Good and harmless fun, unless you count the aches and pains! Last Thursday night Claudette Christiano and I hit

the Carnarvon Bowl lanes. Claudette was a little intimidated by my bringing my bowling shoes. Little did she know! It was just one of those things I did when first moving to big metropolis of Carnarvon and thought I would become a bowling expert. Even with practice, it hasn't got any better. But boy, it's good for laughs!

We played one game realizing neither one of us knew how to keep score and then looked over the displayed scores of the pros and it was definitely "shock and awe." How on earth do these people get these high scores?

Personally speaking, I do that becoming one with the ball, focus on the pins, position my feet with the appropriate circles, eye on the five-point pin for centering, keep my wrist straight and guess what - I still do a few gutters. Bending the knees is hard work!

Then we went upstairs and played a game of air hockey and I can honestly say that Claudette and I are at the same level of ability and competitiveness.

I ordered my favourite Greek-style chicken burger which I savoured every bite. It's hard to say what the highlight of the evening was; actually it was spending

an evening with my friend Claudette who I haven't seen much of since she moved to Montreal.

Most Tuesdays, Kay Barrow and Sharon Martella come over for a throw together lunch and playing a few games of Yahtzee and this is how I spend my winter.

Like I have said many times, I have met the best people of my life since moving to this area.

There isn't a lot happening lately for me to write about so I can tell you that I just came back from my ma's house. I have been trying to spend a couple of days every month with her. You never know how long you have your mother and I will value every visit with her even if it can be trying.

Saturday night we watched a movie that was about five hours long. Actually it was only two hours long just stretched because of interruptions, translations and commentaries.

My morning at my ma's always starts with an espresso spiked with Sambuca; doesn't every one start their day this way?

Sunday she made an amazing lunch for a group of 10 of us. Ma caters to all sorts of tastes to the point of making her great granddaughter, Alyssa, make pasta her way. She knows that a ten-year old doesn't appreciate eutheic food, not yet anyways! The food just kept on coming and coming.

That's my life in the last few days and it's no wonder that my winter is flying, I am loving it!

Have a great week!

MINDEN & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S MEETING

Tuesday, March 2, at 1 pm

Guest Speaker

Linda Friend from Rural Roots

Topic:

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Linda 286 2261

ALL WELCOME

RUG HOOKING AND WEAVING



Minden Agricultural Society is offering a

BEGINNERS WORKSHOP

Winter Break March 16, 17, 18 10am-3pm

At the Royal Canadian Legion,
Branch 636, Minden

Purpose: Learn the basics of RUG HOOKING and WEAVING and create an EXHIBIT to be presented for Judging at the HALIBURTON COUNTY FAIR in Minden August 19, 20, 21st, 2010.

AGES: Female & Male 8 to 80
Juniors will enter in the Junior Fair
Adults will enter the Arts & Crafts Category

Admission: \$10 for the 3 days to cover cost of supplies and a donation to the Legion.
Bring a Lunch - snacks and refreshments provided.

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& leave message**

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An original musical play
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Friday, February 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 27 at 1:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for 12 and under

At the Northern Light Performing Arts Pavilion

(The Theatre at the High School)

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"Sometimes you have to leave the path to find your way."

Wednesday March 3rd, 2010



Centre for Community Based Research

Presents:

Dr. Mark Skinner & Ann MacLeod
Social Determinants of Health

Dominion Hotel, 113 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden

2:30 to 4:45 Afternoon Workshop

Social Determinants of Health in Haliburton - Future
Research Directions

5 pm Dinner

Order directly from the wonderful Dominion Hotel menu.

7 pm Lecture

There is an emerging trend in the health sector that health is not just the absence of disease but is influenced by many other factors. These factors are known as the Social Determinants of Health, which include such things as social status, income, education, access to transportation etc. Mark and Ann will be speaking about health in rural areas and the unique challenges people face.

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Last Wednesday evening found us in snowy Kingston in the beautiful old stone Theological Hall at Queen's University where the drama department was presenting Thornton Wilder's "Our Town."

Written in 1938 this Pulitzer Prize winning drama presents a picture of life in the small village of Grover's Corners, New Hampshire. Beginning in May 1901 and ending in summer 1913, the play focuses on the lives of two next door neighbour families – the Webbs and the Gibbs.

Our granddaughter Emma plays daughter Emily Webb and, although we can confess to some slight favouritism, simply shone, an opinion verified by the more objective reviewer in the *Kingston Whig Standard*

newspaper.

Never overly modest, her proud grandfather Bruce claims some genetic influence in Emma's natural theatrical talent citing his own triumph back in Grade 12 as Bassanio in Deep River's Mackenzie High's production of William Shakespeare's *Merchant of Venice*.

The Kinmount and District Lions Club thank everyone who came out to its pancake supper at the Community Centre on Feb. 16, a fundraiser for Haiti relief. Admission was by donation with \$568.23 raised which will be matched by the Lions Club. Once again our Kinmount community has responded to the needs of others during such a difficult time.

This Saturday, Feb. 27 is Kinmount Winterfest Olympic style starting off with the Pancake Breakfast of Champions from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the community centre. The festivities then move to the arena on the fairgrounds with both indoor and outdoor activities planned for the whole

family. The Olympic parade and opening ceremonies featuring local torchbearer Cathy King starts at 11:30 a.m. and children who would like to be in the parade need to assemble by 11 a.m. Sleigh rides, toboggan decorating, an exhibition hockey game and a chili contest are just some of the activities which will run through to 4 p.m. so come out and celebrate the Olympics, Canada and winter.

Still mark your calendars for the Saturday, March 6 for the dinner and loonie auction at the Galway Hall, but please note a change in menu from that listed in last week's column.

Instead diners will enjoy a full dinner of ham and scalloped potatoes followed by a fun filled loonie auction conducted by Doug Pearson.

The festivities begin at 5 p.m. with dinner following at 6 p.m.. Funds raised will be divided between support for the Kinmount Gazette and the Victoria Pony Club.

Tickets are \$12 and available by calling Guy Scott 488-3182, Doug Pearson 488-2547 or Lynne Kilby 488-2919. Guy reminds that the Victoria Pony Club meets every second Tuesday and new members are always welcome.

The benefit dance for former Kinmount resident Darryl Dettman will be held at the Legion Branch 441 this Saturday, Feb. 27 beginning at 8 p.m. with popular DJ Bruce Newman. Darryl, who now lives in Lindsay with his young family, uses an electric wheelchair following spinal cord injury. Costs related to his ongoing rehabilitation are significant and our community support would be most appreciated. Tickets are \$10/person and available at Kinmount's Tim & Kim's Tearoom on Main Street or by calling Tiffany at 454-9800 or Michelle at 887-4929. If unable to attend but wishing to make a donation do call Michelle.

Time to feed the chickadees so until next week ...

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Dominion Hotel, 7 PM Friday, March 5th, 2010



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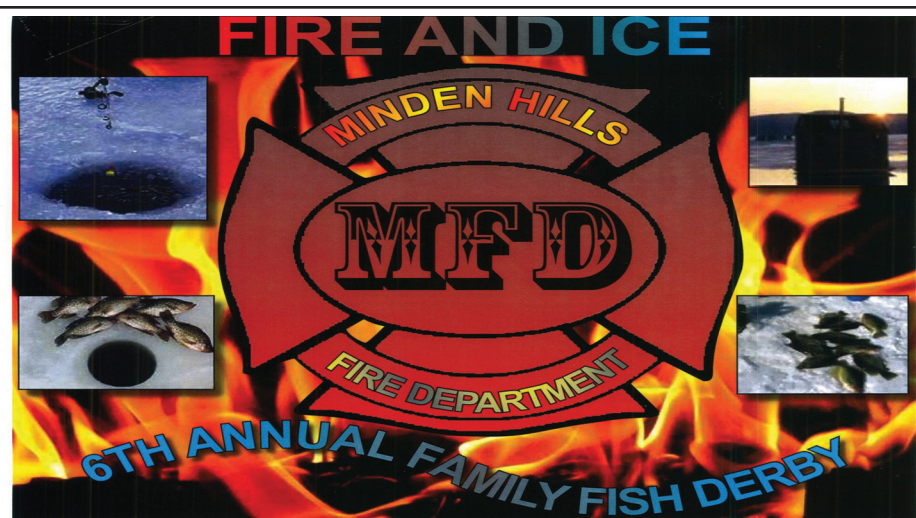


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OR TALK TO A MINDEN FIREFIGHTER

RD Lawrence Place celebrates poetry month with its second annual Poet Tree contest

April is Poetry Month, and to honour this very special month, the Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network is sponsoring a Poetry Contest. No entry fee required.

Deadline: March 22

Eligibility:

Adults: Age 18 and Over

Two youth categories: Age 14 to 18 and Age 13 and Under

* Poem must be previously unpublished; one submission per entrant

* Maximum length forty lines; any theme or topic

* Electronic submissions only.

* Provide your name, address, phone

number and title of the poem in the body of an email along with a brief (four or five line) bio, and include poem as a Word document attachment with no identifying information on the attachment.

* Send to: hhwenpoetry10@gmail.com

* Poems must be titled and suitable for public display

* Judging will be blind so please be sure there is no identifying information in the poem.

Winners will be announced Saturday,

April 10, 2010 at an awards ceremony to be held at R.D. Lawrence Place, 176 Bobcaygeon Rd, in Minden, Ontario, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. The winning poets will receive their awards and be asked to read their poems aloud. Substitute readers will be appointed should the winners be unable to attend. Poems will be displayed on the "poet trees" in R.D. Lawrence Place and in a binder to be placed on public display.

TICKETS FOR SALE

Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association Wild Game Dinner

March 6, 2010

at Haliburton Legion

Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Auction table raffle table,

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Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

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8:00 Evening Concerts

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Saturday March 6th, 2010 featuring:

Ian Tamblyn, Cindy Thompson, and Rodrigo Chavez

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Haliburton Highlands Copy Center in Minden or call 705 754-3655

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community calendar

What's happening in the County

Post your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca or

to the **UR** Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca

• February 23: Volunteer Tax Preparers Onsite at the Royal Canadian Legion Haliburton Branch 129 from 9:30 -11:00 – After February 23rd, Tiia will be at the Legion on Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. You can call Tiia at 705-447-2462. Please note the last day to bring in your return is April 18th.

• February 24: Volunteer Tax Preparers Onsite at the Royal Canadian Legion Wilberforce Branch from 1:00 to 3:00 pm – Marlene will be at the Legion every Wednesday until April 19th. You can call Marlene at 705-448-2266.

• February 27: Rotary Club of Haliburton presents their 24th Annual Auction – Join us at the Curling Club, catered by Rhubarb Restaurant. Cocktails/viewing at 6 pm, dinner at 7 pm. Silent Auction and Raffles throughout the evening. Live auction with host Mike Jaycock, following dinner. Dinner and auction is only \$35 per person. Tickets available at Henwood's Variety in Haliburton or at the door. If you require any additional information or would like to donate an item, contact Lance Edwards 457-9500.

• February 27: Curves is hosting a Circuit Training Fit for Heart Event – Wanda and participants will keep the circuit filled for the day. Each participant collects pledges in this heart healthy event and uses the circuit for 30 minutes. This fun filled activity supports the critical research in preventing heart disease and stroke. Please call Curves at 457-9257 for more information.

• February 27: Haliburton Writers present Free Panel Discussion – Have you written a book, but aren't sure how to get it published? The Haliburton Writers' and Editors' Network will provide answers and options to those publishing questions, when a panel comprised of local published authors will discuss the benefits and pitfalls of the various modes of publishing. Presented by HHWEN and R.D. Lawrence Place, from 1:30 – 3:30 pm in the Old Library Room at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, 174 Bobcaygeon Road. Come one, come all to this FREE presentation. For additional information, contact Pat Brown at 705-286-6448 or rdlawrenceplace@mindenhills.ca

• February 27: Celebrate the Olympics at Kinmount Winterfest – Pancake breakfast of Champions 8:30 am – 10:30 am at Kinmount Community Centre. Fun activities, skating, tobogganing, games

& contests at Kinmount Fairgrounds starting at 10 am. Highlights include Sleigh Rides and an Olympic Parade with Olympic Torchbearer Cathy King at 11:30 am. Get your photo taken holding a real Olympic Torch! Join the parade by entering the Flag Contest. Make a cardboard toboggan for the Downhill Dash Contest. Enter the Olympic Mascot Colouring Contest or Olympic Chili Contest. Visit kinmount.ca for details or call 705-488-2919.

• February 28: What do Kenya, Democratic Republic of Congo, Haiti and Costa Rica have in common? They have all been visited recently by local people! Come see and hear first hand accounts from people who have experienced God's work in these countries. Refreshments will be served, everybody is welcome! Lakeside Baptist Church, 6:30 pm.

• March 1: Climbing Club – Come and try our Drop-In Indoor Rock Climbing Monday evenings at Camp Medeba in West Guilford. Families 6:30 – 8:00 pm, children and parents climb together. Youth and Adults 8:00 – 9:00 pm. \$2 per person. Everyone welcome. Children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Parental permission required for youth under 18. Sponsored by Point In Time. For more information call Donna at Point in Time 457-5345 ext 314 or email donnaa@pointintime.ca

• March 2: The Minden & District Horticultural Society – Our meeting will take place at the Community Centre at 1 pm. Speaker is Linda Friend from Rural Roots. Memberships \$9 each or couples \$16. For more information call Linda 286-2261. All Welcome.

• March 2: GriefShare Support Group – Join us for from 7:30 – 9:00 pm at Lakeside Baptist Church, Park St, Haliburton. No cost to attend.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.

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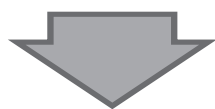
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Deaths

SPRING, Olive (Jean) - In Loving Memory of Olive "Jean" Spring. Passed away peacefully at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Wednesday, February 17, 2010. In her 85th year. Beloved wife of the late George Malcolm Spring (2006). Dear mother of David of Toronto and predeceased by her son Bert (1998). Loving grandmother of Lauren, Shaun, Paul Joseph "PJ", Jeremy, and great grandmother of Travis, Andrew and Preston. Dear sister of Mildred, Isabel, and Tom (Karen). Fondly remembered by her nieces, nephews, family and friends. Cremation has taken place. A memorial gathering will be held in the summer. Memorial Donations to the Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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All we have are memories
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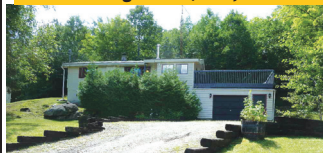
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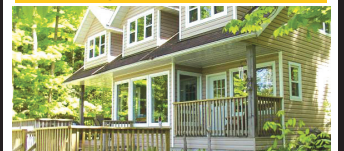
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